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SUBJ: BOYCOTT LANGUAGE IN IBRD-FINANCED CONTRACT

REF: DAMASCUS 4484

1. CHARGE BROUGHT UP MATTER OF BOYCOTT LANGUAGE IN IBRD-FINANCED CONTRACT FOR ALEPPO SEWAGE PROJECT (DESCRIBED REFTTEL IN DETAIL) WITH MINISTER OF ECONOMY IMADI AUGUST 7. IMADI TELEPHONED MINISTER OF HOUSING , IN CHARGE'S PRESENCE, AND TOLD HIM SYRIA SHOULD USE QTE SOFT UNQTE AND NOT QTE HARD UNQTE LANGUAGE IN THIS CONTRACT. THIS IS INTERESTING POINT SINCE MINISTRY OF HOUSING OFFICIALS TOLD LARRICK OF ENGINEERING SCIENCES THAT MINISTRY OF ECONOMY HAD REQUIRED NEW HARD-NOSED BOYCOTT LANGUAGE.

2. ALTHOUGH THIS MAY SOLVE IMMEDIATE BOYCOTT PROBLEM FOR ONE U.S. FIRM, REQUEST STATE CONTINUE TO PUSH IBRD TO RESIST BOYCOTT LANGUAGE IN CONTRACTS BECAUSE THIS CONSTITUTES DE FACTO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST U.S. FIRMS. FURTHERMORE, IBGD REPRESENTATIONS WILL STRENGTHEN HAND OF IMADI AND OTHERS SEEKING TO KEEP SYRIAN BOYCOTT

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POLICY FLEXIBLE.

3. FOR USDOC: REQUEST YOU CONTACT CHARLES L. LARRICK, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT/INTERNATIONAL, ENGINEERING SCIENCES, 150 NORTH SANTA ANITA AVENUE, ARCADIA, CALIFORNIA 91006, TELEX 675428, AND INFORM HIM CONTENTS PARA ONE ABOVE. SUGGEST LARRICK MAY WANT TO GET BACK AND

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